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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6123 DATE PREPARED: Mar 18, 1999 **BILL NUMBER:** HB 1284 **BILL AMENDED:** Mar 16, 1999

SUBJECT: Internet notice of state meetings and bid lists.

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FUNDS AFFECTED: X GENERAL IMPACT: State & Local

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<u>Summary of Legislation:</u> (Amended) This bill requires state agencies to provide electronic access to notices of public meetings and invitations to bid on contracts for public works and supplies. It also deletes the additional 50% charge for newspaper publication of public notices containing rule or tabular work. (The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the Interim Study Committee on State Government Issues.)

Effective Date: July 1, 1999.

Explanation of State Expenditures: (Revised) This bill places the current provisions of Executive Order 98-26 in statute by requiring state agencies to publish meeting notices and invitations to bid on contracts for public works and supplies on the Internet.

These agencies will be required to allocate an employee's time to transmit meeting notice and bid information to the Internet. Access Indiana provides a free 4-hour training session on how to transmit the required information to the Internet. There is no charge to state agencies to post information on Access Indiana.

State expenditures will decrease to the extent that state agencies are assessed an additional charge for the publication of public notice advertising containing rule or tabular work. It is not known how many public notices contain rule or tabular work, or how many publications assess an extra charge for such work.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures: (Revised) Local expenditures incurred by governmental units will decrease to the extent that they are assessed an additional charge for the publication of public notice advertising containing rule or tabular work. It is not known how many public notices contain rule or tabular work, or how many publications assess an extra charge for such work.

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Explanation of Local Revenues:

<u>State Agencies Affected:</u> Department of Administration and all other state agencies which required to publish notice of meetings, and all purchasing agencies; state agencies which publish public notice advertising containing rule or tabular work.

<u>Local Agencies Affected:</u> Governmental units which publish public notice advertising containing rule or tabular work.

<u>Information Sources:</u> *Indiana Register* (October 1998), pp.246-247; Steve Key, Hoosier State Press Association, (317) 624-4427.

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